



St Nicholas Linton January 2026

Services and events at Linton and around the Benefice

Christmas Eve

4pm Christingle at East Farleigh
 4.30pm Children's service at Coxheath
 6pm Carol Service at Hunton
 9.30pm Christmas Eve Communion at West Farleigh
 11.15pm Midnight Communion at Coxheath



Christmas Day at 10am

10am Family Service and Communion at Linton

10am Family Worship at Coxheath

Sunday 28th December

10.30am Holy Communion at Coxheath

Sunday 4th January 2026 – Christmas 2

9.30am Morning Worship at East Farleigh
 9.30am Holy Communion at Hunton
 11am Holy Communion at Coxheath

Sunday 11th January 2026

9.30am Morning Worship at Linton

9.30am Holy Communion at West Farleigh

11am Morning Worship at Coxheath

Wednesday 14th January

12 noon - Holy Communion in Linton Church.

A short, informal service, followed by some refreshments. All are welcome.

Sunday 18th January

9.30am Holy Communion at East Farleigh
 9.30am Family Service at Hunton
 11am Holy Communion at Coxheath

Sunday 25th January

9.30am Holy Communion at Linton
 9.30am Morning Worship at West Farleigh
 11am All Age Worship at Coxheath

Every Thursday

10am Midweek Holy Communion, Coxheath Church

Tuesday 27th January

10am to 12 noon Linton Community
 Coffee Morning in Church. (No coffee
 morning in December).



Christmas Wreath Workshop

16 of us had a great time in December making
 beautiful Christmas wreaths. Thank you to Pam and
 Donna and all who attended and raised £300 for
 church funds. If you didn't manage to get along to
 that, why not come along just before Mothering
 Sunday 2026 to create a floral basket. Put the date in
 your diary - Friday 13th March. Please register your
 interest with Kath Cooper (07876 101390). Open to
 the whole Benefice.

Pastoral Letter from the Rector

Happy New Year!

As I walk into this New Year I could make a million
 resolutions – ranging from the mundane (be more
 creative, bake cakes, remember to put the bins out
 every week, mow the lawn more than once this year,
 go proper food shopping once in a while) to the more
 meaningful (choose a better attitude, be more
 intentional with my time, speak less, love more.)

The likelihood is that most of them won't even get off
 the starting blocks. But I might write a list at some
 point. Just to make it feel like I am trying.

I do love a list. In the jumpy-round chaos that so
 often makes up my thought processes, the humble list
 is my happy place.

So, I decided I would at least start the year on a
 positive note: With a list (to remind me why writing a
 list might help me achieve some of my aims!) Here
 we go...

1) Lists are solid. Thoughts are fleeting. But a list? I
 can see that. I can't forget I need to do something if
 it's written down before my eyes (can I?)

2) Lists are a positive action. Even if I can't face doing
 something, at least I have acknowledged it needs
 doing. On some days, that's progress!

3) Lists bring order. They are like a map. I can see
 where I am and where I need to be and what I need
 to do to get there.

4) Lists are encouraging. A list with everything
 crossed off is a reminder that life does shift and move
 and that, even if it's one thing at a time, things can
 change!

5) Ticking things off a list feels good.

I wonder what is on your list for 2026? What are you
 looking forward to? What are you hoping will change
 this year? Whatever it is, I hope that you meet joy
 along the road - in the big things and the small. And I
 hope you can face difficult things with the assurance
 of love around you.

Happy New Year. Be blessed.

Lorna

Dementia Group On the first Tuesday of the month,
 6th January, Age UK are now holding a dementia
 group drop in gathering for tea and coffee between 1
 – 3pm in Holy Trinity Coxheath. No need to book but
 if you would like more information please contact
 Tracy on 01622 753618

Brew and Bite at Holy Trinity Coxheath

We are open during school term times every Tuesday
 12 noon-7pm. From 5.30 – 7pm this is a time
 specifically for a youth group in school years 7 -13
 There is no charge but you are invited to give a
 donation if you so wish

Benefice Kids – Bible Brick Builders running from after
 school until 5pm at Holy Trinity, Coxheath. The club is
 suitable for children in school years 1 - 6. To book a
 place (only 20 available) and for more information
 please email becky.thecat@btopenworld.com



We have a Give-a-little account to enable web donations to St Nicholas Church. As we don't have any mobile or internet signal in the church we are unable to have a 'sum-up' box, but if you click on the link or the QR code it will take you to our Give-a-little page for donations.

<https://givealittle.co/c/xxwg1j2vTAIepiHL878wE>



Second-hand book library in St Nicholas

If you love it, keep it. £1
If it's a good read, swap it for another. 50p
Donations welcome

Since 2023 we have raised £77 from selling books in our library back to 'World of Books'. Thank you!

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[easyfundraising](#). Sign up and help St Nicholas Church for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use [easyfundraising](#) to shop online with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-nicholas-linton>



BENEFICE CONTACTS

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For up to date details about benefice group meetings please contact the following people:

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<https://www.facebook.com/Coxheath-Benefice-Kids-112089254485427/>

Men's Prayer Group Mike Marsh 07595 428639

Ladies Prayer Group Dawn Burnell

Beacon Men Steve Poole 07904 212245

Mothers' Union Margaret Poole 07729 17676

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Benefice Safeguarding Officer - Margaret Poole

Our Benefice and five Benefice Churches website is

www.unitedbenefice.church

